

**SIKKIM**



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**GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDARY, LIVESTOCK,  
FISHERIES AND VETERINARY SERVICES  
KRISHI BHAWAN, TADONG (SIKKIM)**

**No. 38/AHVS(ADM)**

**Dated: 19/07/2016**

**NOTIFICATION**

WHEREAS, the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) is a statutory body constituted by the Government of India under Section 4 of the Prevention of Cruelty of Animals Act, 1960 for the promotion of animal welfare in general and for the purpose of protecting animals from being subjected to unnecessary pain and suffering;

AND WHEREAS, in order to control the rodent population such as rats, mice; Glue Traps also known as glue boards or sticky types are used illegally;

AND WHEREAS, the glue traps, are a type of non lethal, extremely sticky with non-drying adhesive on one side of its rigid surface so that the small animals get stuck to the glue boards by their feet or by their fur when they attempt to run across them and once stuck on a glue trap, an animal is unable to free itself and eventually die of starvation, exposure, dehydration, suffocation, predation or are killed by humans;

AND WHEREAS, the animal also dies of self mutilation leading to blood loss, stress, pain in an attempt to escape from the trap;

AND WHEREAS, as per the directives of the Animal Welfare Board of India, the use, sale and manufacture of Glue Traps for catching rats and mice are illegal and contrary to existing provision of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960;

Now therefore, the State Government is hereby pleased to prohibit the manufacture, sale and use of Glue Traps for catching rats, mice in the state with immediate effect.

**By order and in the name of the Governor**

**C.C Wangdi, S.C.S  
Secretary  
Department of AH, LF&VS.  
Government of Sikkim.**